

## **OLLI Board Meeting (Ginna's house) and via Zoom – December 15, 2023– “Stay Curious”**

- A. Participants:** Barry Bowman, Rusty Bowman, Kate Erstein, Doug Garcia, Mark Gordon, Ginna Holcombe, Roger Knacke, Cindy Margolin, Leta Miller, Anandi Paganini, Ron Sekkel and Lois Widom.
- B. Participants By Zoom:** Dennis Morris, Barbara Oden-Petree, and Bonita Sebastian
- C. Absent:** Karen Gamell, Gail Greenwood, Tom Manheim, and Jan Mintz
- D. Meeting called to order at:** 10:02 AM

### **Minutes and Follow-Up – Ginna Holcombe** Minutes of November were **M/S/P**

- **Done:** Survey results and KSQD interview are on the website, Interest Groups database was transferred to Rusty Bowman, and the Appreciation Luncheon was wonderful.
- **M/S/P** that the Directory will be printed Jan, 24 to maximize #'s &. Will be online & mailed only to current members.

### **Classroom Venue – Barry Bowman/Ginna Holcombe**

- London Nelson and Resource Center for Nonviolence both cost ~\$50 per 2-hour class (compared with \$300 at the MAH); savings next semester (6 classes) approximately \$6000
- All classes have been cancelled at the MAH because London Nelson is less expensive with free parking.
- **M/S/P** that Ginna & Barry will take care of the details & the decision.

### **Courses – Lois Widom/Lena Miller**

- **Postponed:** Bruce Margon on Astronomy and the Holocaust
- **Future courses:** (1) Mary Crawford (Apr) on gender, (2) David Sweet (tbd) on the Amazon Valley, (3) Pauline Seales on Sustainability (tbd)

### **Interest Groups – Rusty Bowman**

- **New:** Art and Architecture IG is again headed by Lois Widom; Doug Garcia started a Jogging IG; Shamim Keshawarz has 3 students to start a dance class but 'needs' 10; Frank Baudino's Music Monthly IG has 3 members so far
- **Potential:** Watsonville Wetlands with Jonathan Pilch; Eastside Walkers with Carole Sakamoto; Mexican Dominoes with Marian Disperati; and Horticulture with Janice Cooch
- **M/S/P** that General Meeting presenters be asked to donate 10% of book sales to OLLI voluntarily (not obligatory); IGs are autonomous and handle this as they want.

### **Alternative Spring Break – Mark Gordon**

- The new provost would like to meet Mark, Ginna, and Barry for lunch.
- Mark is hoping for intergenerational relationships and connections. We care & want to listen to the students

### **Outreach – Doug Garcia**

- **Now:** promo for January meeting and upcoming classes in the works, business cards distributed during board meeting; we now have 505 members (598 members was last year) in OLLI
- **Future:** Barbara and Doug to reach UCSC alums (50yo+) and students
- **Capacity-Building Grant:** **M/S/P** (with two abstentions-Rusty & Mark) approved as written (attached)

### **NRC Trip Report – Kate Erstein**

- Google OSHER National Conference.
- Some OLLIs have buildings, lots more classes, and no age restrictions.

### **Speakers / Newsletter – Barry Bowman**

- **Newsletter deadline:** December 14, 2023
- **Speakers:** Paul Whitworth (January), 3 professional photographers (February), Leta Miller (March) will speak about her book regarding Black Musicians in San Francisco.
- **M/S/P** that we send lanyards with name badges.

### **Meeting Adjourned: 11:45 AM**

- **January Board Meeting:** January 12, 2024 10:00 AM at Community Foundation for Santa Cruz County
- **January General Meeting:** January 21, 2024 at Multipurpose Room at 10:00 AM
- **Respectfully submitted by:** Ronald P. Sekkel, Secretary